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The columns of THE PRESS are always free to the people of the county for the discussion of questions of local interest.

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The fair is in progress at Kennett this week. The secretary has our thanks for complimentary tickets.

The Southeast Missouri Teachers' Association will meet at Cape Girardeau on Thanksgiving day and the Friday and Saturday following.

The Southeast Missouri Medical Association is in session at Farmington. Dr. Allen, secretary, has our thanks for a copy of the program. Our doctors, C. M. Witmer and C. A. Sander, are on the program for the discussion of important subjects.

The investigations going on in the big insurance companies in New York, and the developments, remind us of what we heard an old gentleman say some years ago in telling about a mean horse he once owned, and among his other faults he seems to have walked too fast when he worked him to the plow and, said he, "the faster he walked the hotter he got." The more those fellows investigate, the more they find out. Just what kind of punishment ought to be meted out to concerns of such influence and financial power that play upon, and betray the confidence of the public is a hard question, but it certainly ought to be a plenty. Several of the states, and Missouri among them, are taking action which will probably revoke the licenses and stop further business unless the funds taken from the treasuries and contributed to republican campaign funds and paid to lobbyists, be returned, and the resignation of the officers is also demanded. Such bold rottenness in the handling of trust funds has rarely been outdone.

"Something Doing in the Country."

Under this heading the Washington Post has for some time been reproducing each week a half-column or more of breezy extracts from representative weekly newspapers from the rural precincts of every state in the nation, says the Atlanta Constitution.

Tho, obviously, no apology is needed for the publication of such a department. The Post itself gives us in the following clipping one of the clearest and most convincing demonstrations of the genuine worth of the country weekly:

"As for us, we believe in judicious excerpts from our country exchanges. They are like the breath of new-mown hay to the dweller in cities. The country editor has the art of direct, pictorial statement, and his sense of news is always acute. A newspaper pretending to give a picture of the times cannot afford to ignore what is doing in the country. A high moral purpose is served by reproducing items that smack of the soil. City people are mostly from the country and small towns. The items from the country press bring back to them visions of happy youth and innocence. They renew half-forgotten acquaintances, they hear the cow bells and the village fire engines, and the sweet smells of the fields fill their stuffy apartments. How many polished grafters, politicians and speculative insurance financiers, reading these homely reminders of their days of childhood, have wept and repented, at least momentarily? How many men, wearied with jostling, have taken heart again after seeing in a stray item from 'home' a flash of their progress?"

We would, however, go several steps further than The Post in a candid estimate of the country editor. He is, of necessity and by nature, a philosopher. The man who conducts a weekly newspaper does not, as a rule, bother himself with the cumbersome and questionable niceties of "fine writing," his virile thought, untainted by clumsy metaphor or strained wit, springs forth spontaneously in the inimitable hom-spun of the people. From his vantage-ground of detachment, he views keenly the vital events of on-rushing civilization, and his naive or biting comments are not weakened by the artificiality or the circuitous polish which often distinguishes and dilutes the work of the metropolitan.

For bluntness of thought and honesty of phrase, commend us to the country editor. We have yet to see one who cannot outpoint his average city brother in those particulars.

ALFALFA AS A SUPPLEMENT TO CORN FOR FEEDING HOGS.

(Weekly Agricultural Letter.) In last week's letter we showed the great value of supplementing corn with a small amount of oil meal for hog feeding. Perhaps the farmer can with greater profit feed his hogs on a ration composed of three-fourths corn meal and one-fourth alfalfa hay. The hay can be produced on the farm and besides being profitable to feed to the hogs is also profitable on account of the great advantage it will be to the land on which it grows. An experiment conducted at the Nebraska station showed that when born alone was fed to hogs it cost

\$148 per hundred pounds to produce pork when corn was worth 30 cents per bushel, and adding 5 cents per bushel for grinding. In the same experiment when 80 per cent of the feed was corn meal and 20 per cent alfalfa leaves it cost only 3.40 per hundred pounds, or a saving in favor of mixed feed of \$1.08 per hundred.

The alfalfa used in this feeding test was the shatterings picked up from the barn floor and was valued at \$10 per ton.

In this same experiment a slaughter test was made to show the influence of the mixed feeds as compared with a straight corn diet on the development of the bone and internal organs of the pigs. In the lots fed corn and alfalfa the internal organs were found to be better developed and in a more healthy condition than those fed on corn alone. The great advantage of alfalfa as a bone producing food was shown in this test where it took an average pressure of 510 pounds to break a thigh bone from the pigs which had been fed on alfalfa and corn, while it took only an average pressure of 325 pounds to break the thigh bone from a pig that had been fed on corn alone.

The test referred to shows conclusively the great value of alfalfa for supplementing corn for feeding young hogs, also for feeding brood sows. The best results will be obtained from the alfalfa if it is harvested by the time the first blooms appear, and before it is fed it should be run thru an ensilage cutter and then wet and mixed with the corn meal. For fattening pigs from one-fifth to one-fourth of the total ration should be alfalfa, but for growing pigs or brood sows a much greater proportion of the alfalfa may be profitably used.

Geo. B. Ellis, Secretary State Board of Agriculture.

THE LEOPOLD SILK COMPANY FOR THE PRESS.

Some of our enterprising citizens are preparing for an industry which may prove to be a success. It may not be successful, but the probabilities are that it will be a prosperous and valuable industry, not only for Leopold, but for any other locality in Southeast Missouri as well; and this industry is "The Culture of Silk." Silk can be produced wherever the mulberry tree grows, and you can find a country where this tree grows better and is more thrifty than on the hills and in the valleys of Southeast Missouri?

That the climate is all that could be desired was demonstrated by our experiments last summer. On October 9, twenty-seven citizens organized with a capital of \$2,000 under the name of "The Leopold Silk Company." After the adoption of a constitution, which had been prepared by a committee appointed by the chairman of a previous meeting, the following officers were elected: H. J. Vandeven, president; M. Vandeven, vice-president; F. G. Clippard, treasurer; and B. L. Hotze, secretary and manager.

The next order on the program was to talk about planting mulberry trees. A resolution was offered and adopted to plant 3,000 trees in the vicinity of Leopold.

Then the plans on a building in which the raising of worms will take place, were discussed, and finally all agreed on a building which will be 62 feet long and 25 feet wide, and 9 feet high. We will be capable of rearing from 100,000 to 125,000 worms in it. Besides the rearing room there will be an office in it and a room for leaves. The building will be erected in the near future.

B. L. Hotze.

Why Refer to Doctors

Because we make medicines for them. We give them the formula for Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and they prescribe it for coughs, colds, bronchitis, consumption. They trust it. Then you can afford to trust it. Sold for over 60 years. "Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is a remedy that should be in every home. I have used a great deal of it for hoarse cough and colds, and I know what a splendid medicine it is. I cannot recommend it too highly."—MRS. E. COHEN, Hyde Park, Mass.

Made by J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass. Also manufacturers of SERRAPILLA PILLS, CHERRY PECTORAL, and other remedies.

Our Correspondents.

Matfield.

(Arrived too late for last issue.) I will try to furnish a few items for THE PRESS this week.

Health is very good. T. A. Fulton and family started south for employment last Tuesday.

E. E. Mayfield and family visited David Masters last Sunday.

Our farmers are busy sowing wheat; some have finished. Born—To Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Seabough, a bouncing big girl.

J. F. Mayfield and wife visited their son, E. R. Mayfield, at Sedgewickville Monday night.

Willie Greene of near Patton was in this vicinity last Sunday.

Our school is getting along nicely under the able management of Miss Elizabeth Thiele.

J. H. Mayfield was the guest of David Green and wife last Sunday.

Rev. J. B. Bishop has been holding a series of revival meetings at Nichols chapel the past week.

School Boy.

Castor.

Health is very good now with the exception of colds.

The farmers are about done sowing wheat.

D. E. Bollinger went to Fredericktown on business last Friday.

Oscar Whitener went to Mine La Motte to visit relatives and friends.

Marion Priddy and wife contemplated moving on a farm near Fredericktown. It looks as the Castor people are all going to move to town.

W. A. Dunn of Marble Hill was in this vicinity on business last week.

Born—To C. D. Whitener and wife, on October 9, a fine 10-pound girl.

Hon. and Mrs. J. M. Zimmerman of near Glen Allen attended church at Kinder's chapel Sunday.

Noah Sitze visited the fair at the Cape last week.

Guy Bollinger contemplates going to Kennett this week to visit his uncle, J. T. Wells, and take in the fair.

H. B. Whitener, who has been sick for the past eleven weeks, was able to visit at the home of Frank Albright Saturday night.

Uncle Petah.

Possum Creek.

Editor Press—I will come again with a few scattering items.

Rev. W. H. Cunningham filled his regular appointment at Point Pleasant Sunday.

Alex Hawn spent a few days at the Cape last week attending the fair and visiting his daughter, Miss Nora.

Jacob Hawn and Sons are kept busy with their sawmill these days.

"Grandpa" Shirley still very low at this writing. He has been moved to the home of his son-in-law, Frank Propst.

Miss Willie Sadler of Lutesville visited Miss Nellie Lutes Sunday.

Jonah Lutes and Jesse Hawn made a flying trip to the Cape Saturday, returning Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred M. Lutes attended church at Marble Hill last Sunday.

Avery Day and sister, Dora, visited at the home of their brother, Chas. Day Sunday.

Robert Hawn and family visited relatives near Scopus last Saturday and Sunday.

Our farmers have finished sowing wheat.

Success to THE PRESS. Sissy.

Huskey.

Mrs. Louis Kaiser has been quite ill the past two weeks, but she is now improving.

Mrs. Mahala Cash is in very poor health.

Miss May Huskey, who is teaching at Club's creek, came up Saturday to visit her parents.

Joab Crites moved back to his farm last week.

Geo. Kaiser is thought to be some better at this writing.

Geo. Call attended the association at Lane Grove last week.

Albert Barrett of Zalma passed thru our town Saturday.

Squire Thos. Huskey is having an addition of three rooms built to his residence. Geo. Rentzel is doing the work.

Mrs. Rachel Call of Burfordville is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Joab Crites.

Miss Clovia Call, who has been at the home of her uncle, John Call, in Lutesville some time, returned home recently.

Quite a number of our young people attended church at Lane Grove Sunday.

Miss Nela Kaiser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kaiser, is very sick.

Misses May and Nellie Huskey.

attended church at Lane Grove last Sunday.

Some of our farmers are done sowing wheat.

JACK.

Tallent.

Several of our farmers are done sowing wheat.

We are sorry to report that Emmanuel Lorraine is quite ill with bilious fever, but hope he will speedily recover.

Messrs. J. F. Zimmerman and William Gruner went to Marquand Saturday evening.

N. R. Kitchen and wife have just returned from a visit with relatives in Wayne county, near Greenville.

Misses Clara Walker and Flora Hawn, two of our county's successful teachers, attended church at Mount Carmel Sunday.

Several of our people attended church at the Ridge Sunday night, and we are informed that the presiding elder was there and delivered an excellent sermon to a large, appreciative audience.

Rev. Patton delivered eloquent sermons at Union Light Saturday night and Sunday.

John Davenport and family visited Lucy Biddle and wife Sunday.

De. Mathews has his new dwelling near completion, and to secure a cook, of course, will be his next step. We are anxiously waiting to see who it will be.

J. C. Kirkpatrick has material on the ground for the purpose of erecting a new dwelling.

The debating society of the Barber school district will meet Friday night, and an interesting program is expected.

Louisa Doose.

Leopold.

Health is exceedingly good with the exception of a few who are afflicted with severe colds.

Mrs. M. Engelen had the misfortune to fall out of a one-horse buggy and break several of her ribs one day recently.

Miss K. Wulker is home again from the Cape.

Miss Mary Clippard, daughter of our enterprising merchant, F. G. Clippard, was at the Cape, visiting relatives and friends and attending the fair.

The stock visited Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Holzum October 11, and left another young citizen at their home.

Miss Sina Elfrink went to Cape Girardeau one day last week, where she expects to remain indefinitely.

The stove factory will finish its work here in a short time and then they expect to move to Geo. Bark's place.

Master Ben Hulshof went to St. Louis last Thursday, where he has employment.

Hugo Hebenstreit has sold his farm to Henry Arnszen.

John Price was here a few days last week.

Miss L. Elfrink returned from the Cape last week.

C.

Sedgewickville.

After a week's absence, I will come again.

Farmers are about done sowing wheat in this vicinity.

Health is reasonably good at present.

Rev. E. C. Seabright of Patton filled his regular appointment here Sunday night and his sermon was enjoyed by a large audience.

The proprietors of the stove factory will begin building in a short time, and bolt cutting and hauling will be the order of the day. I think this will be a help to the laboring men, as it will make more work and better wages.

A number of our young folks attended the Cape Girardeau fair last week and report an interesting time.

P. S. Stalter has purchased the Talley property and will move to town to spend the winter.

"Uncle Joe" Seabough is able to be out and about again.

Squire A. J. Stalter had business at Scopus last week.

Dr. E. K. Stalter seems to be quite busy these days.

A little child of Mr. and Mrs. Vivian Seabough, a few miles from town, died last Thursday night.

The baseball team at this place is preparing for a game with the Patton team and hope to win the game.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter are the happy parents of a bouncing big boy.

W. R. Seabough and W. S. Smith, our bustling blacksmiths, are kept quite busy.

Walter Seabough is able to carry the mail again.

Merchant T. B. Drum is laying in a supply of goods for the winter.

THOMAS S.

SET OF NEW WALL CHARTS ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT COST.

The publishers of THE REPUBLIC ST. LOUIS, MO., offer a magnificent set of the new Monthly Library Wall Charts upon such absolutely liberal terms that school or home in the country can afford to be without them.

This beautiful set, containing Nine Complete Maps and a Cyclopedia of Indispensable Information, will be given, free of all charges, to every person who sends One Dollar to pay for a year's subscription to the TWICE-A-WEEK REPUBLIC of St. Louis, and FAIRM PRESSES, the Great Agricultural and Home Monthly Magazine, published by THE REPUBLIC and acknowledged everywhere to be the Best Journal of its kind published anywhere.

Following are the maps in this set: (1) The World; (2) The United States; (3) The Republic of St. Louis; (4) The States of the Union; (5) The States of the Union; (6) The States of the Union; (7) The States of the Union; (8) The States of the Union; (9) The States of the Union; (10) The States of the Union; (11) The States of the Union; (12) The States of the Union; (13) The States of the Union; (14) The States of the Union; (15) The States of the Union; (16) The States of the Union; (17) The States of the Union; (18) The States of the Union; (19) The States of the Union; (20) The States of the Union; (21) The States of the Union; (22) The States of the Union; (23) The States of the Union; (24) The States of the Union; (25) The States of the Union; (26) The States of the Union; (27) The States of the Union; (28) The States of the Union; (29) The States of the Union; (30) The States of the Union; (31) The States of the Union; (32) The States of the Union; (33) The States of the Union; (34) The States of the Union; 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